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SUBJECT: DUTCH FOREIGN MINISTER ON SPAIN

1. ON EVE OF VISIT TO HOLLAND OF SPANISH FONMIN AREILZA
FEB 20-21, FONMIN VAN DER STOEL RESPONDED TO PARLIAMENTARY
QUESTIONS REGARDING US-SPAIN TREATY, SPAIN AND NATO, AND SPAIN
AND THE EC.

2. NOTING THAT US HAS POINTED OUT THAT REFERENCES TO SPAIN AND
NATO IN RECENTLY CONCLUDED TREATY CONFER DUTIES ON US, BUT NOT
ON OTHER NATO PARTNERS, FONMIN SAID THAT HE WAS NOT PREPARED AS
QUESTIONER REQUESTED, TO STATE FLATLY THAT NATO MEMBERSHIP SHOULD
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NOT BE EXPANDED, BUT HE WOULD REAFFIRM HIS OPPOSITION TO MEMBER-

SHIP BY NON-DEMO-
CRATIC COUNTRIES. IT WAS TOO EARLY TO SAY WHAT
DEVELOPMENTS (WITH REGARD TO SPAIN) WOULD BRING.

3. REGARDING THE EC, HE SAID THAT SPAIN WOULD HAVE TO TAKE
CERTAIN STEPS RELATING TO HUMAN AND POLITICAL FREEDOM FOR ITS
PEOPLE BEFORE IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO CONSIDER CLOSER TIES THAN
TRADE AGREEMENTS.

4. THE AREILZA VISIT WOULD PERMIT THE SPANISH FONMIN TO EXPLAIN
RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND CHANGES IN SPANISH POLICIES.
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